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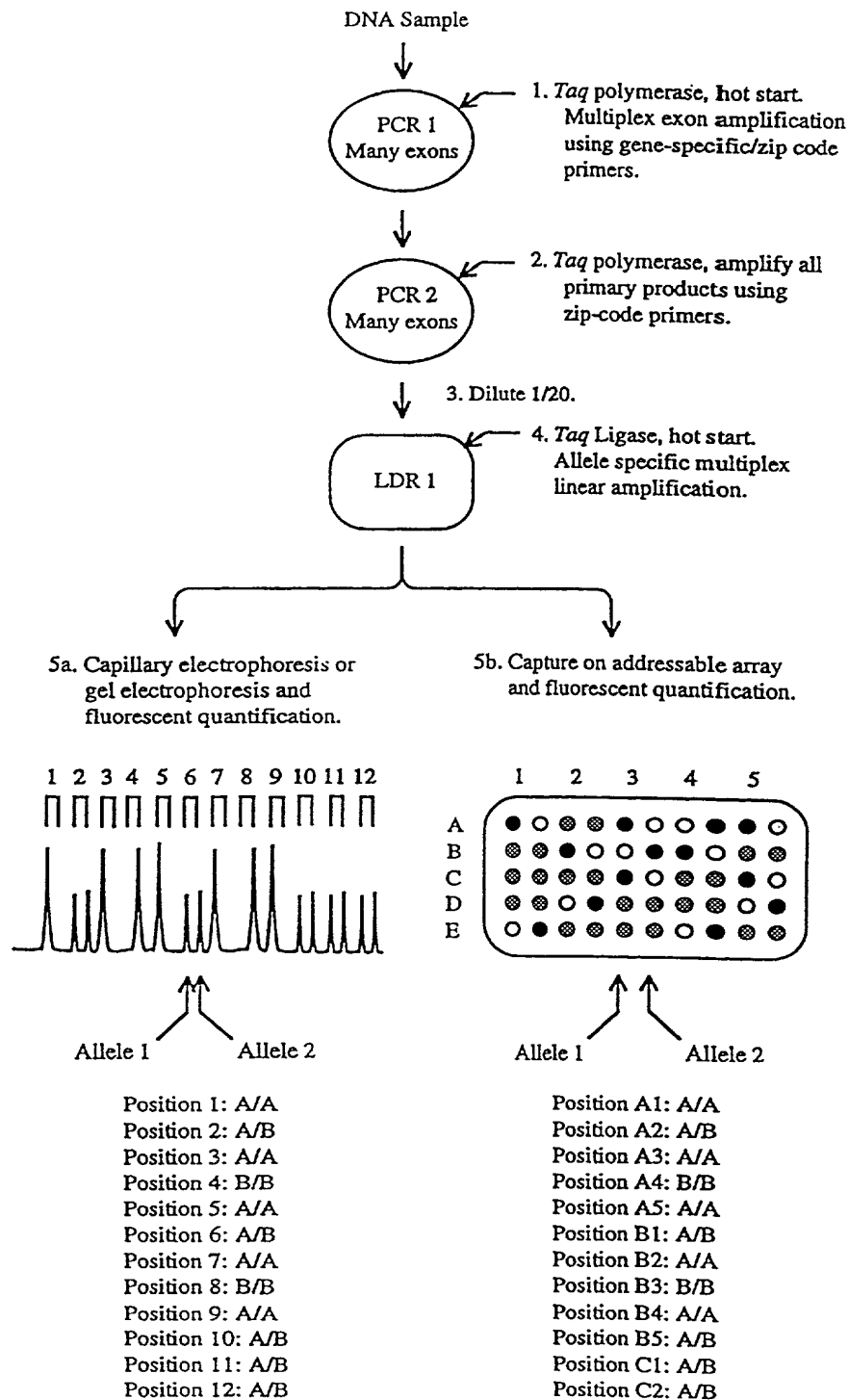


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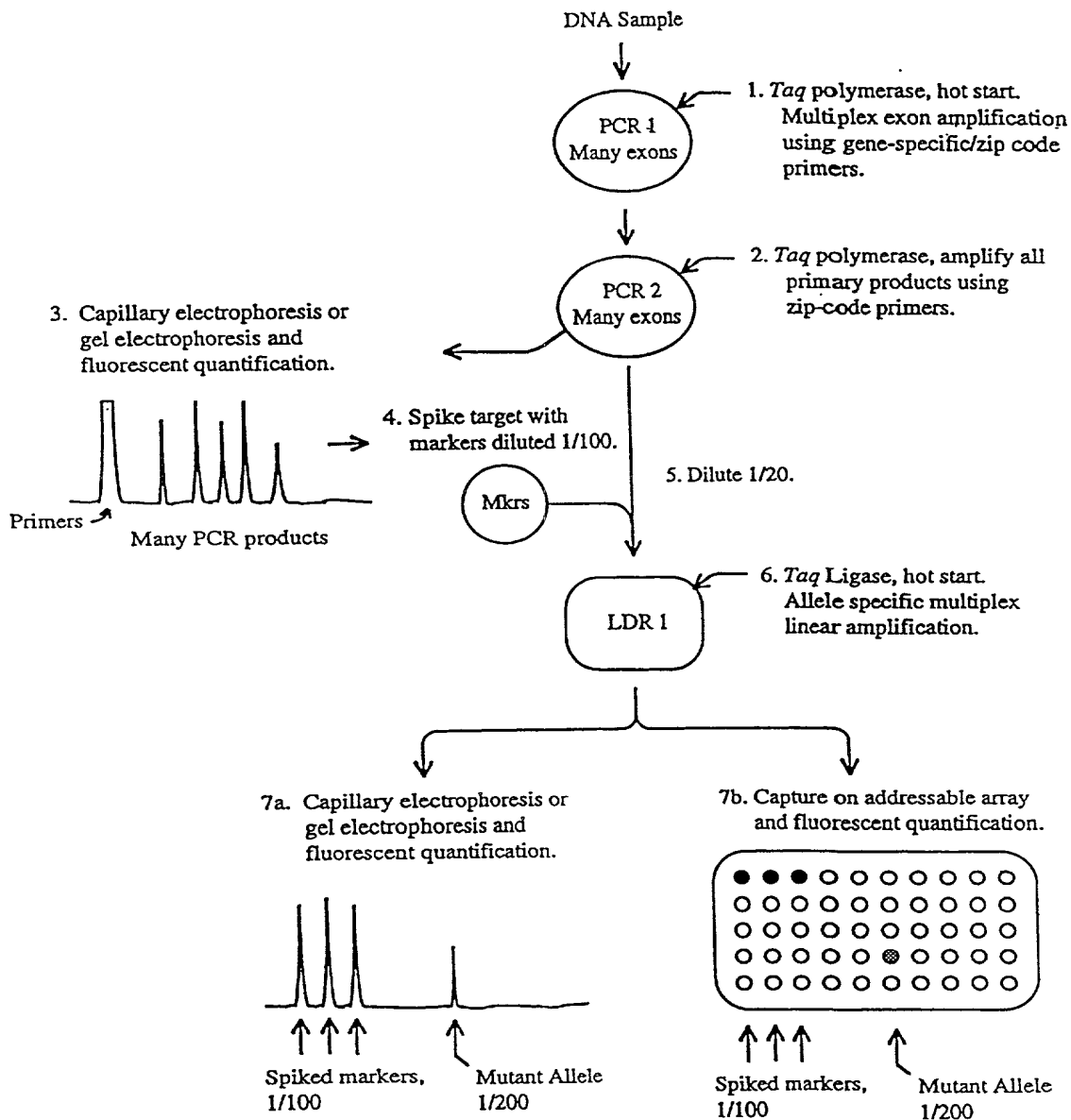


FIG. 3

PCR/ PCR/ LDR

1. PCR amplify regions containing allelic variations using gene-specific/zip code primers, dNTPs and Taq polymerase. ♦

2. PCR amplify all primary products using zip code primers, dNTPs and Taq polymerase.

3. Perform LDR using allele-specific LDR primers and thermostable ligase. ● Allele-specific oligonucleotides ligate to common oligonucleotides only when there is perfect complementarity at the junction.

4. Separate fluorescent products on a DNA sequencer and quantify each allele.

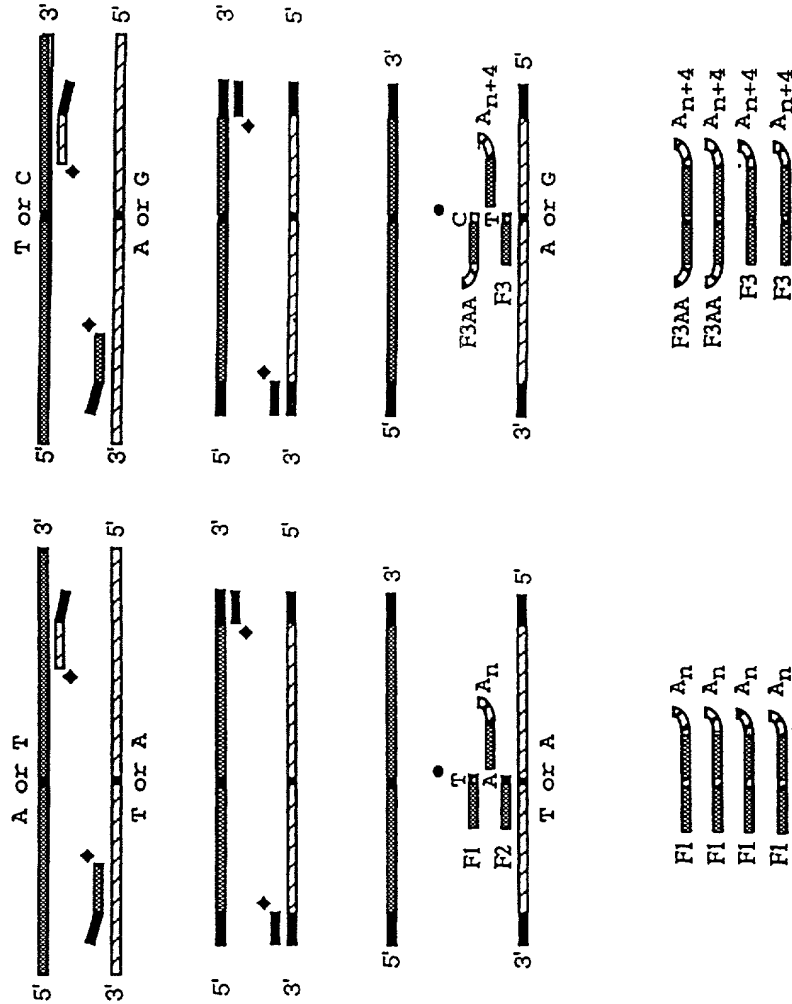
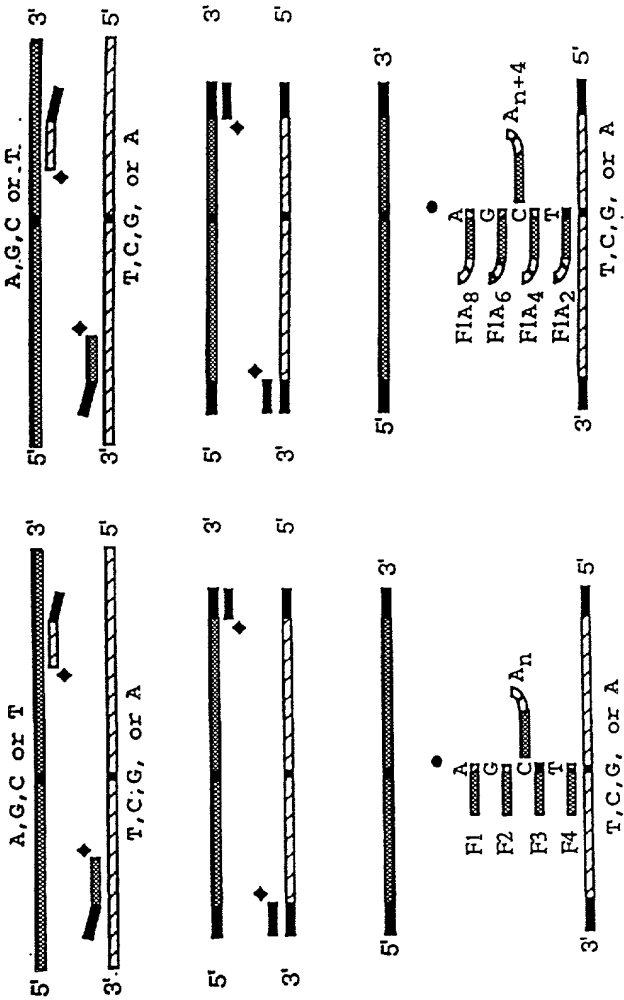


FIG. 4

PCR/ PCR/ LDR

- 1. PCR amplify regions containing allelic variations using gene-specific/zip code primers, dNTPs and Taq polymerase. ♦
- 2. PCR amplify all primary products using zip code primers, dNTPs and Taq polymerase.
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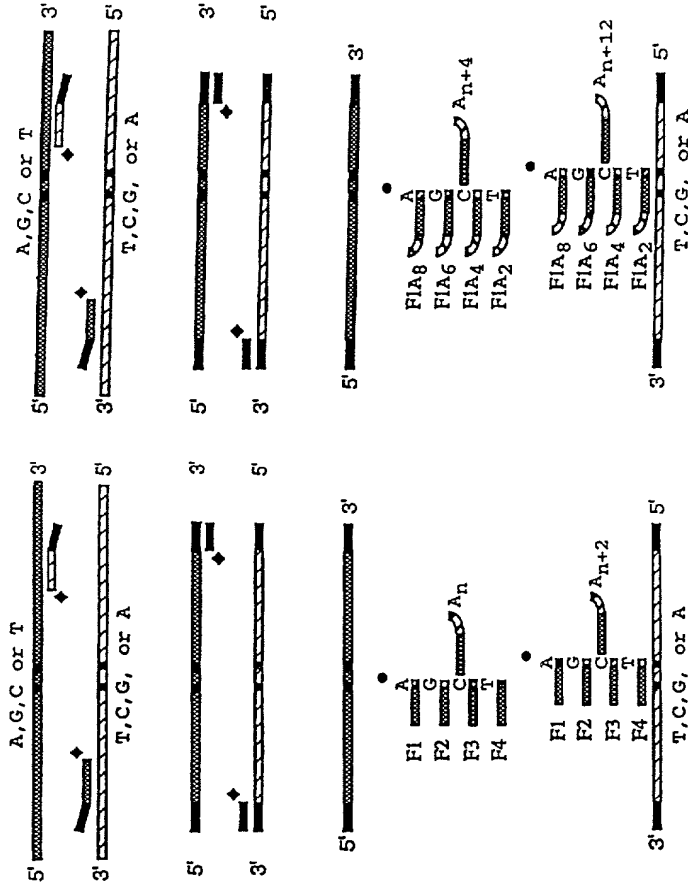


- 4. Separate fluorescent products on a DNA sequencer and quantify each allele.
- Heterozygous: A and C alleles.
- Heterozygous: G and C alleles.

FIG. 5

PCR/ PCR/ LDR : Nearby alleles

1. PCR amplify regions containing allelic variations using gene-specific/zip code primers, dNTPs and Taq polymerase. ♦
2. PCR amplify all primary products using zip code primers, dNTPs and Taq polymerase.
3. Perform LDR using allele-specific LDR primers and thermostable ligase.
 - Allele-specific oligonucleotides ligate to common oligonucleotides only when there is perfect complementarity at the junction.



4. Separate fluorescent products on a DNA sequencer and quantify each allele.

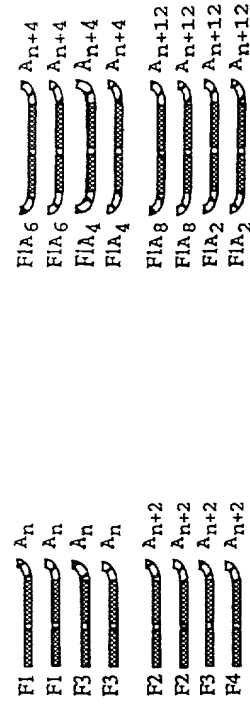


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PCR/PCR/LDR : Adjacent alleles, cancer detection

1. PCR amplify regions containing allelic variations using gene-specific/zip code primers, dNTPs and Taq polymerase. ♦
2. PCR amplify all primary products using zip code primers, dNTPs and Taq polymerase.
3. Perform LDR using allele-specific LDR primers and thermostable ligase.
 - Allele-specific oligonucleotides ligate to common oligonucleotides only when there is perfect complementarity at the junction.
4. Separate fluorescent products on a DNA sequencer and quantify each allele.

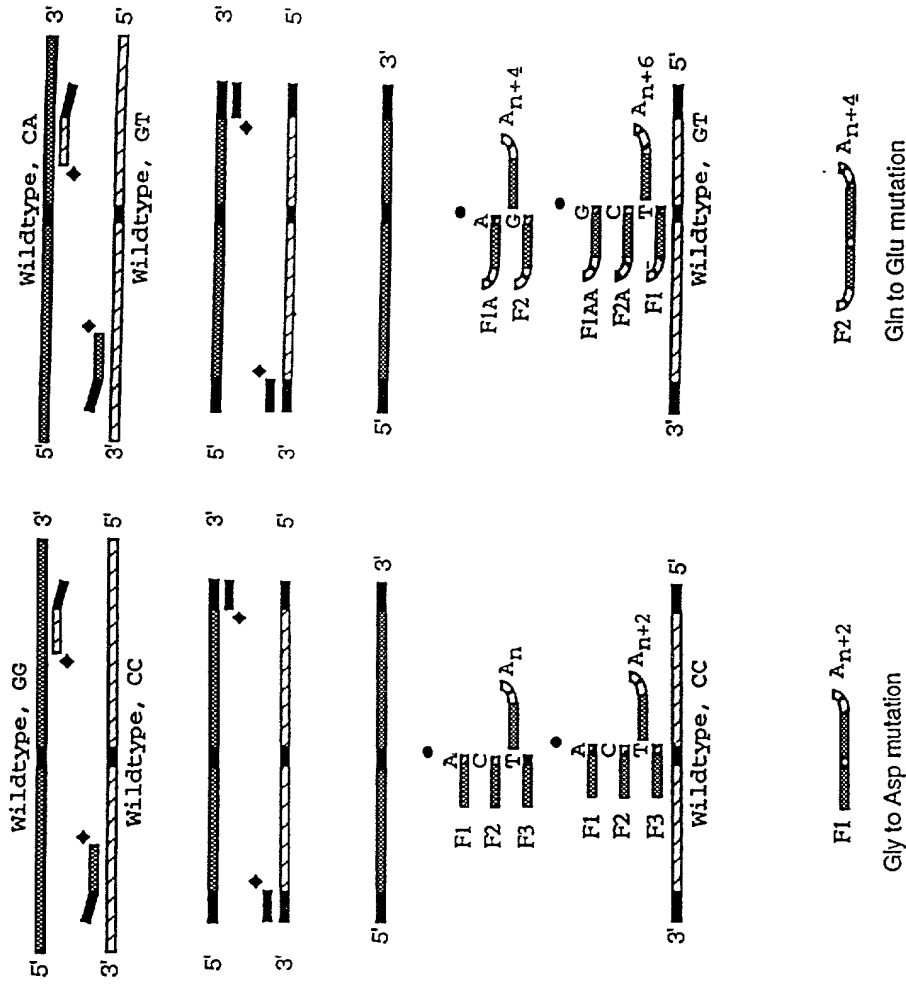


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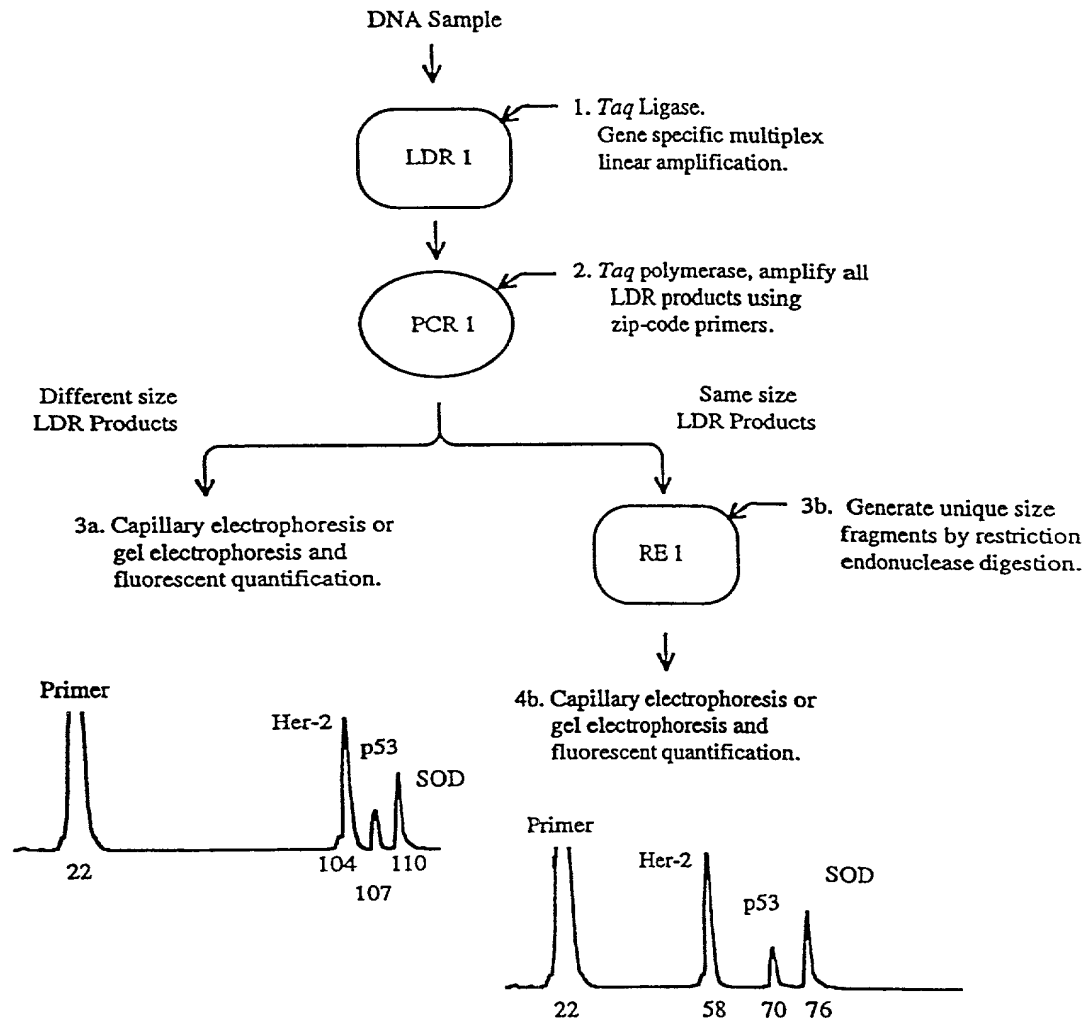


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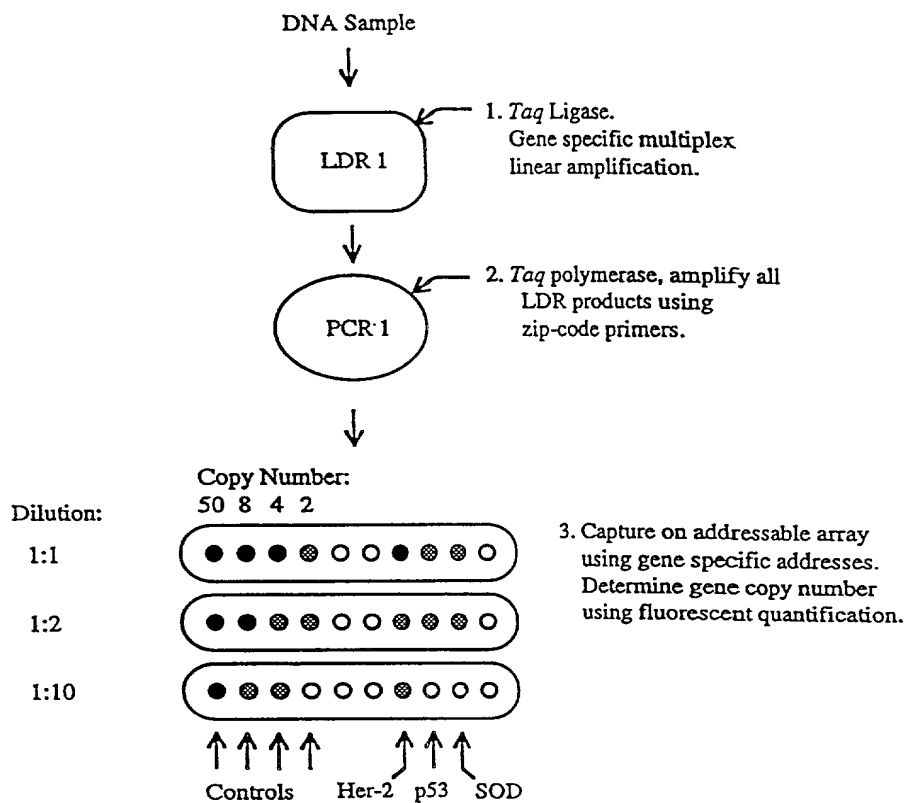
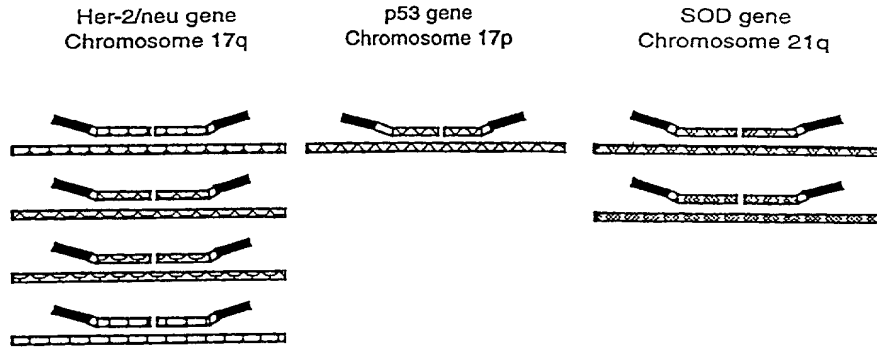


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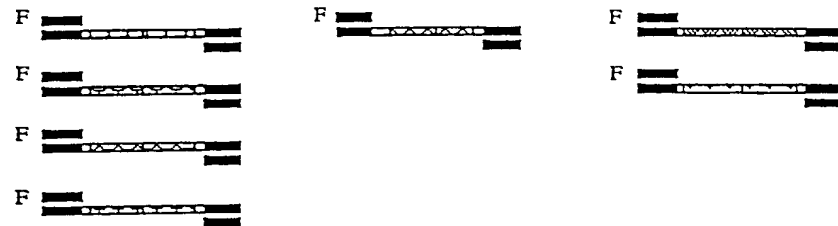
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LDR / PCR: Multiplex detection of gene amplifications and deletions

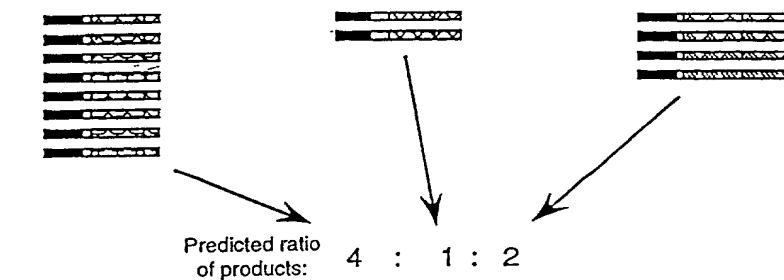
1. Denature DNA, 94°C. Anneal oligonucleotides, 65°C. Ligate with thermostable ligase at 65°C.



2. PCR amplify all LDR products using *Taq* polymerase, dNTPs, and "zip code" primers--one fluorescently labeled.



3. Generate fluorescently labeled fragments by digestion with *Hae*III and *Hin*P1I.



4. Separate products by gel electrophoresis and determine ratio of gene products.

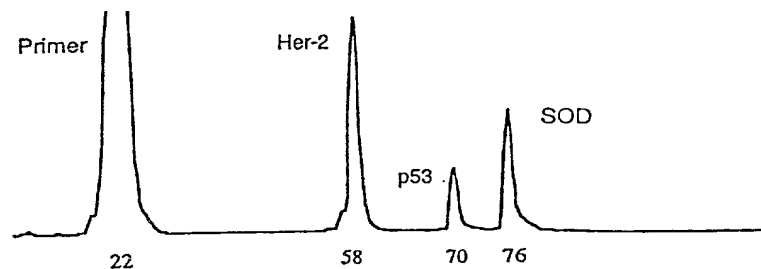


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Allele specific LDR / PCR Problem

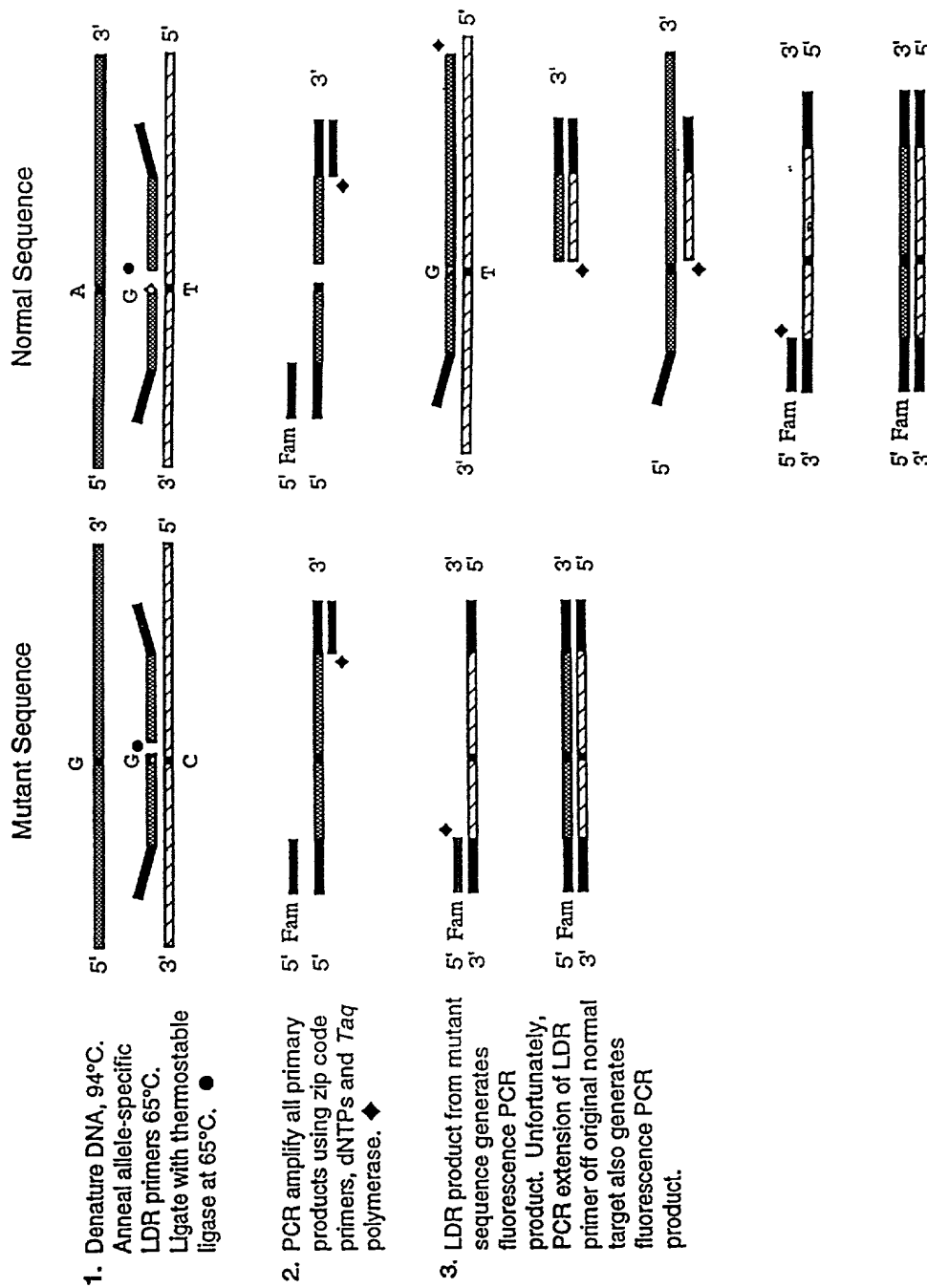


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Solution to allele specific LDR / PCR problem

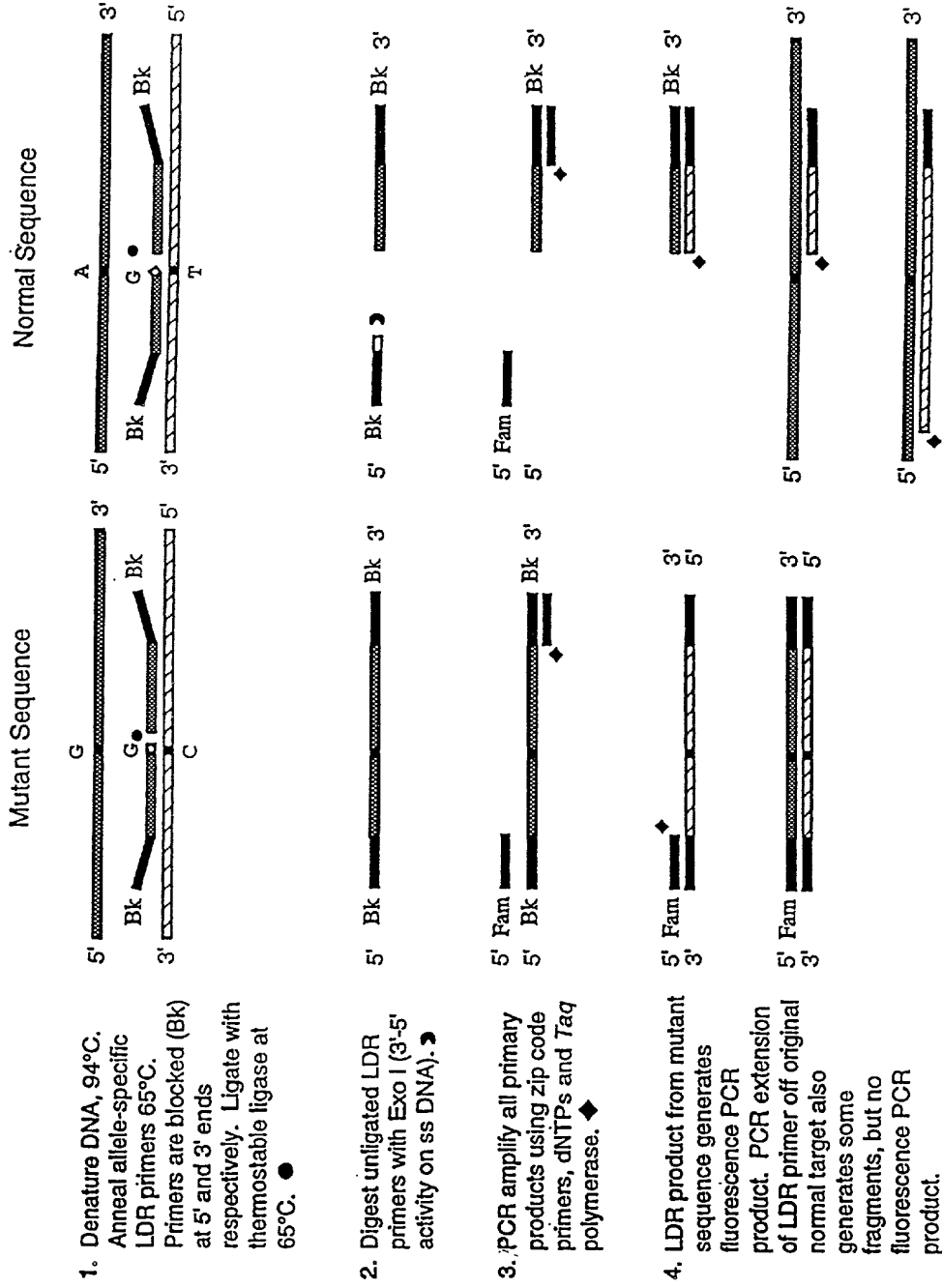


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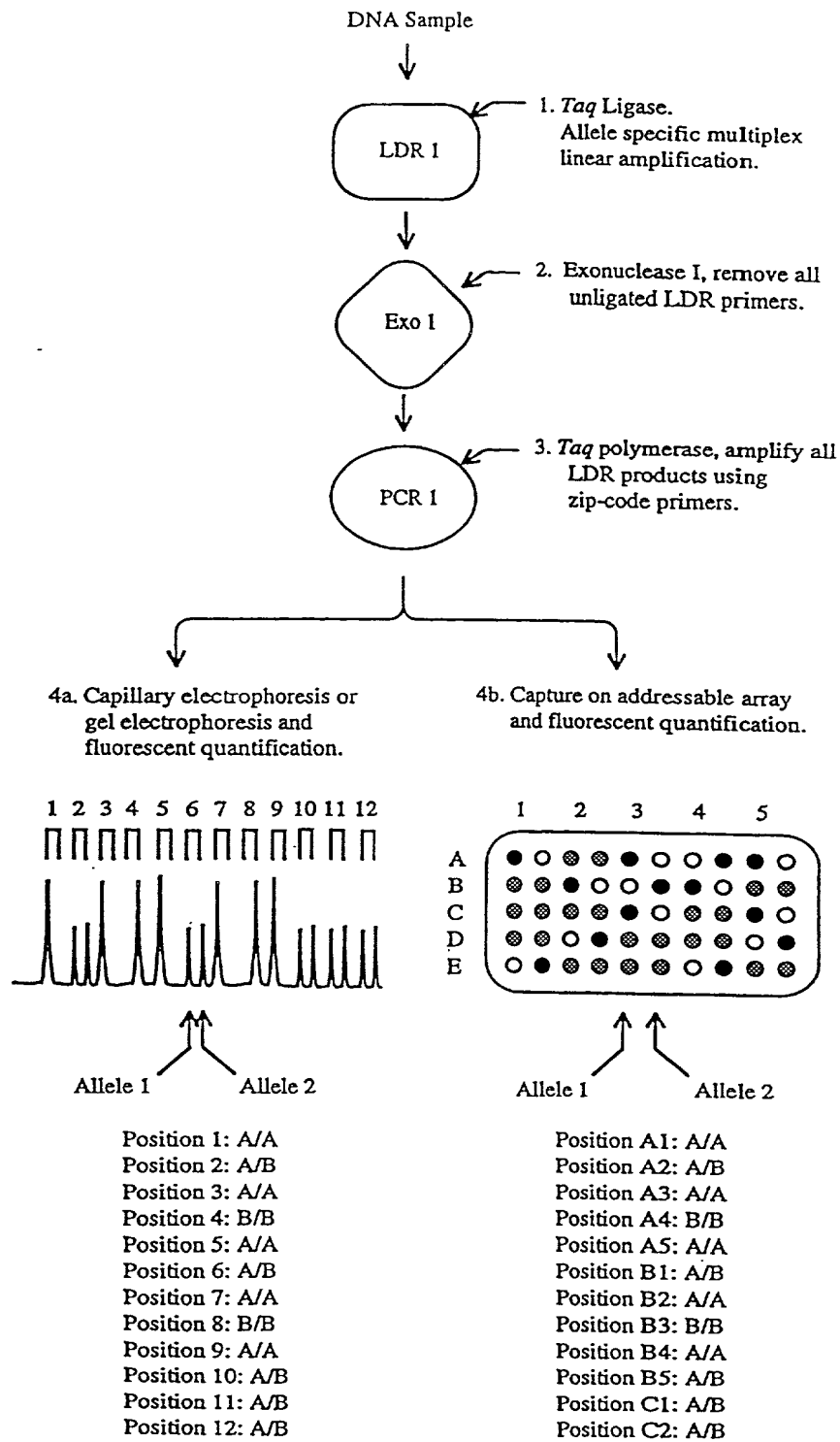


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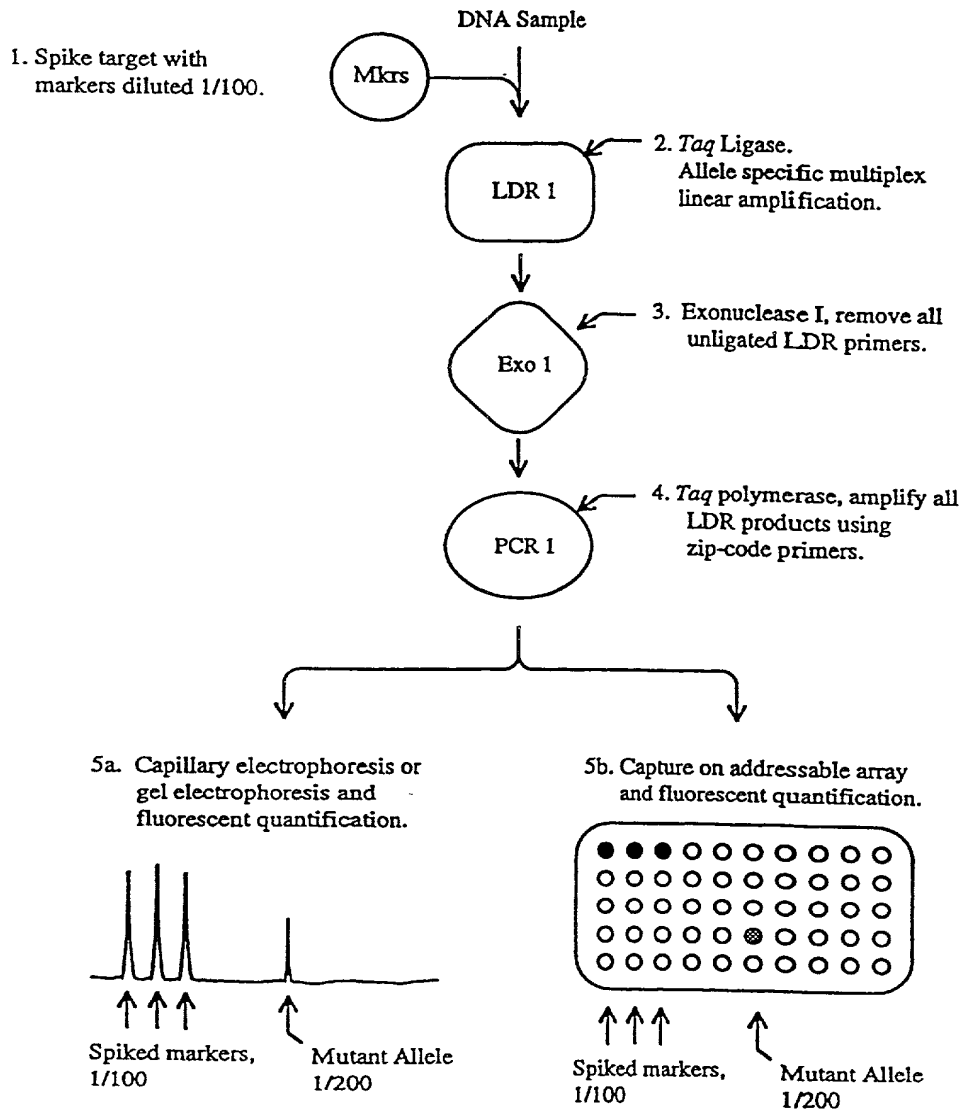


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Allele specific LDR / PCR for mutations or polymorphisms

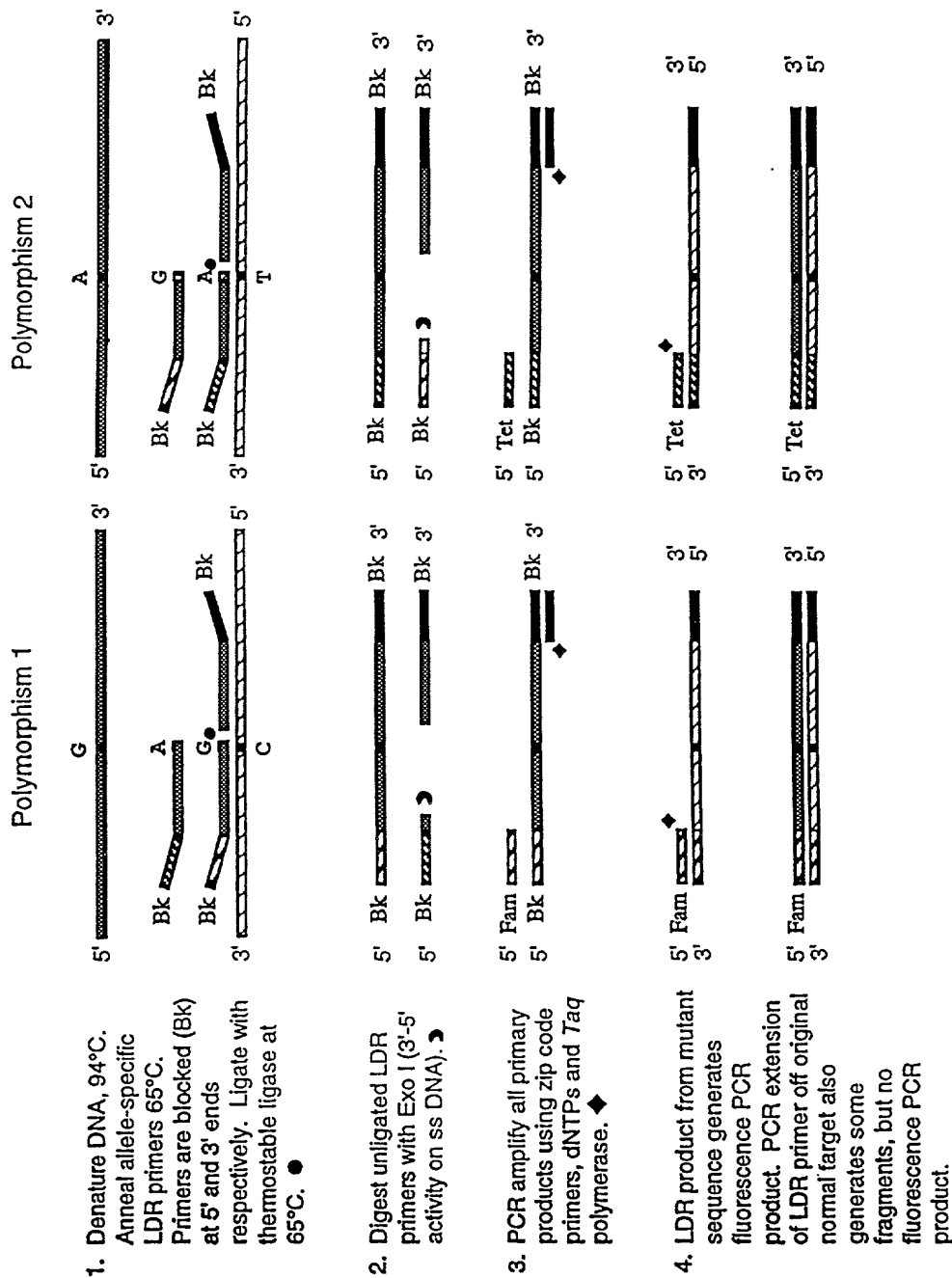


FIG. 15

LDR / PCR of mononucleotide repeat polymorphisms using exonuclease selection

1. Denature DNA, 94°C. Anneal allele-specific length LDR primers 65°C. Primers are blocked (Bk) at 5' and 3' ends respectively. Ligate with thermostable ligase at 65°C. ●
2. Digest unligated LDR primers with Exo I (3'-5' activity on ss DNA). ➡
3. PCR amplify all primary products using zip code primers, dNTPs and Taq polymerase. ◆
4. LDR product from mutant sequence generates fluorescence PCR product. PCR extension of LDR primer off original normal target also generates some fragments, but no fluorescence PCR product.

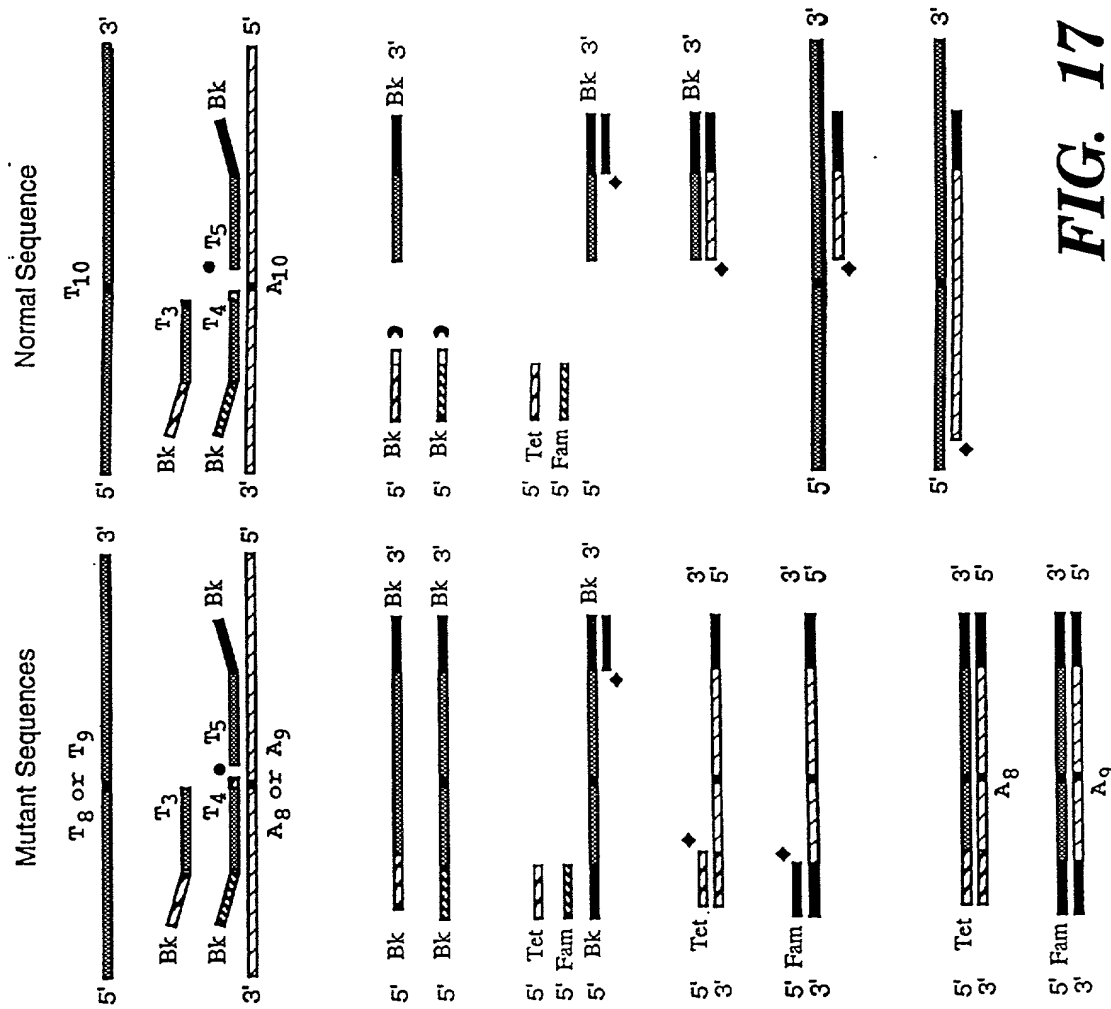


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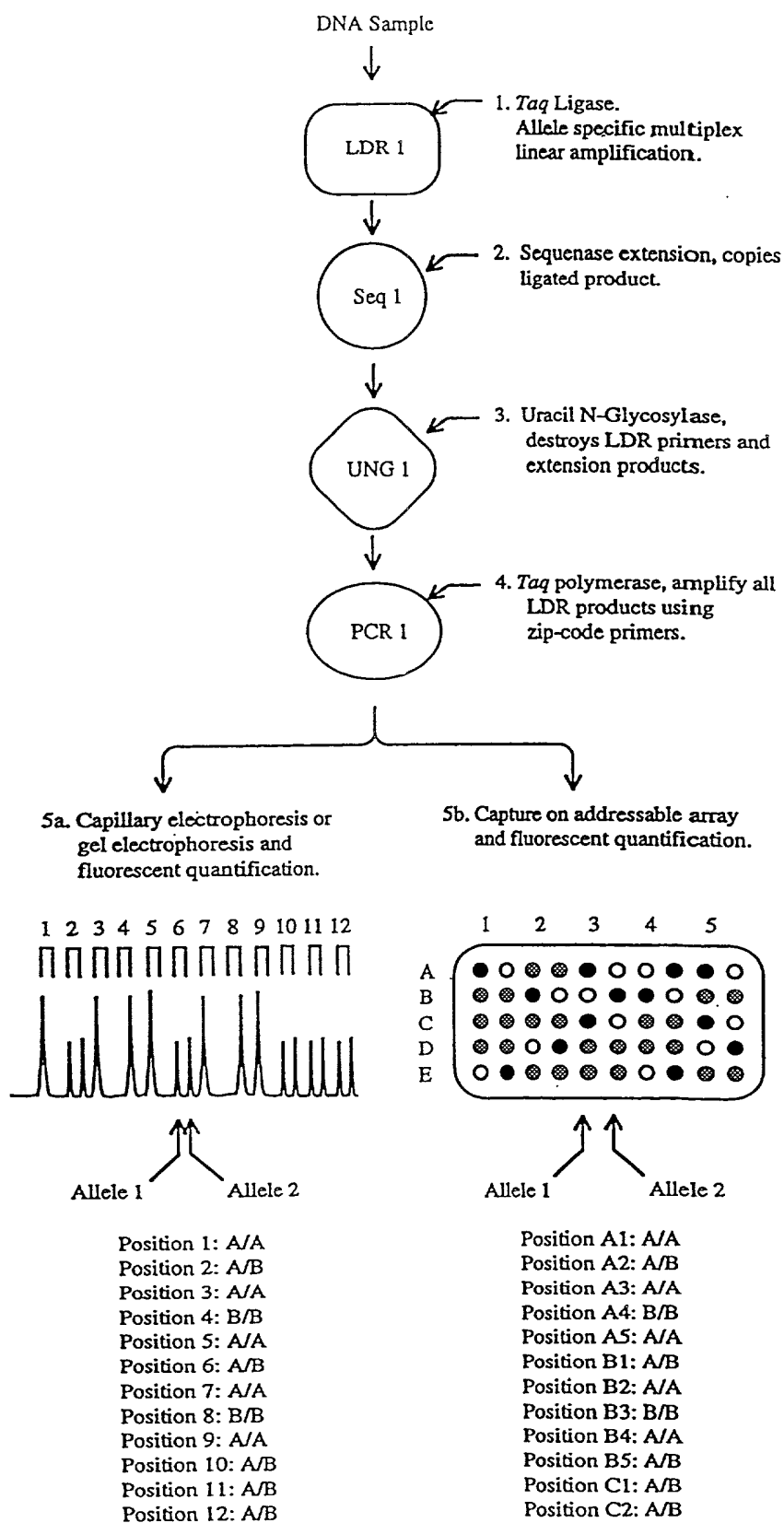


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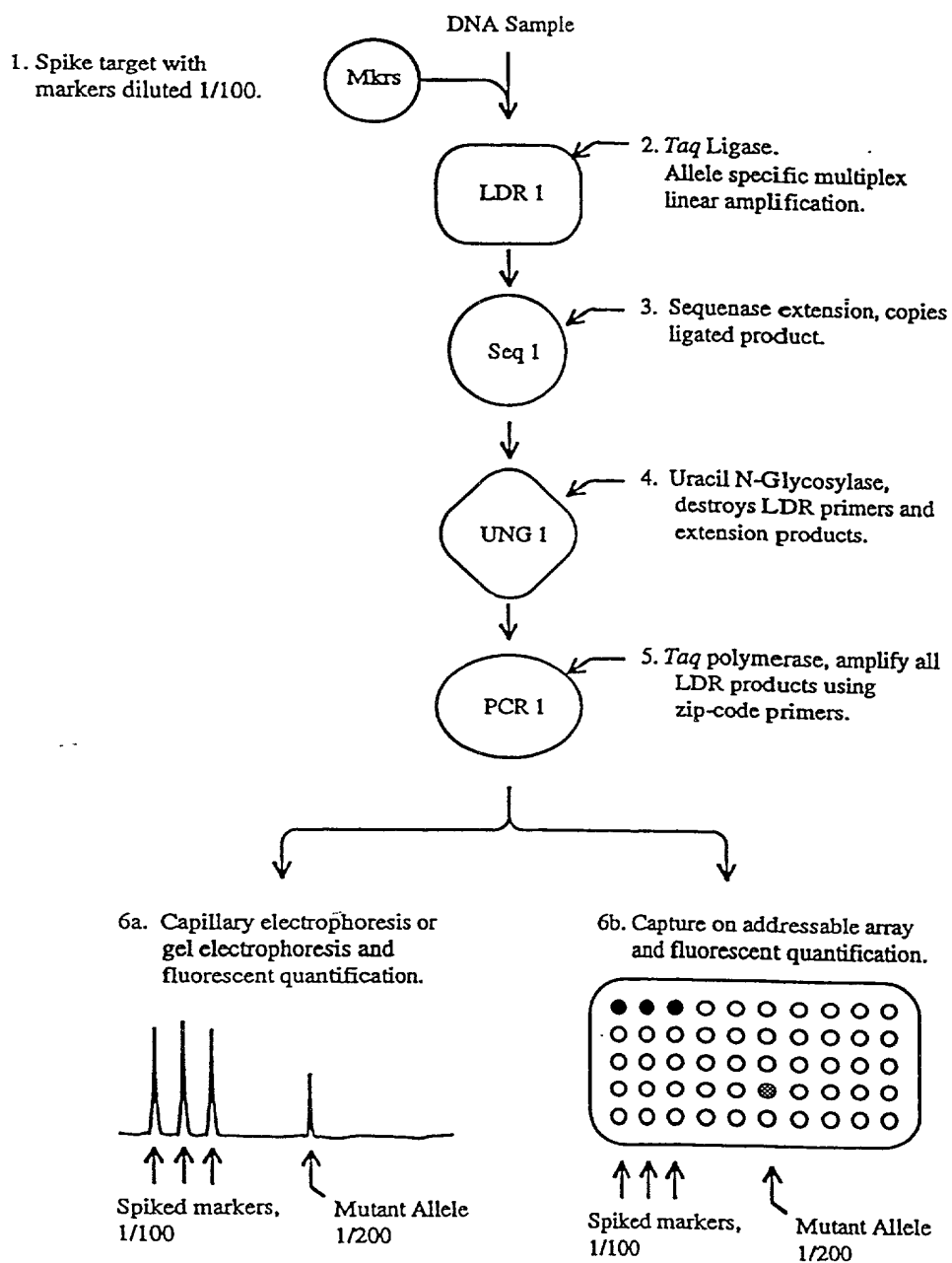


FIG. 19

LDR / PCR of mononucleotide repeats using Uracil N-glycosylase selection

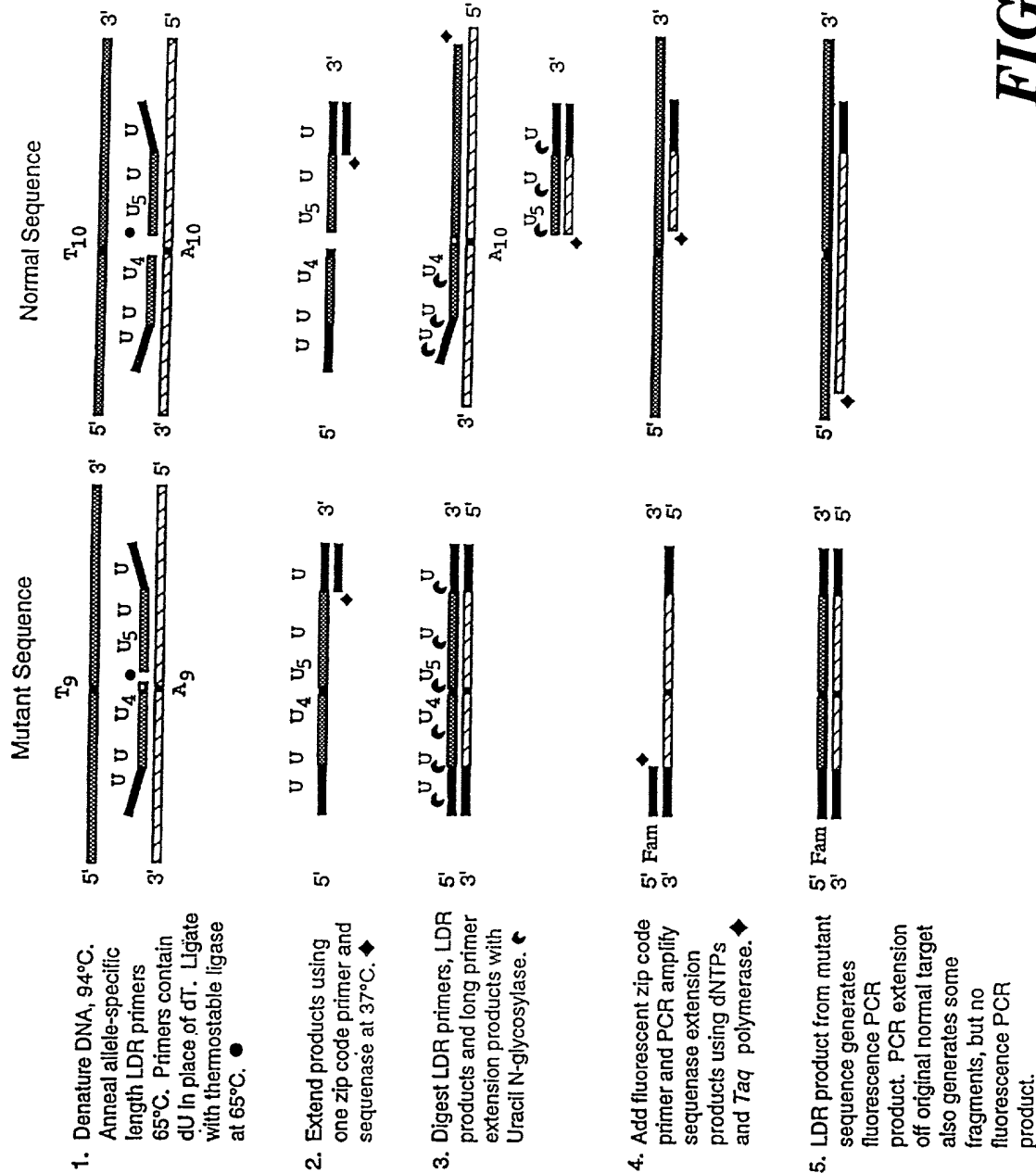
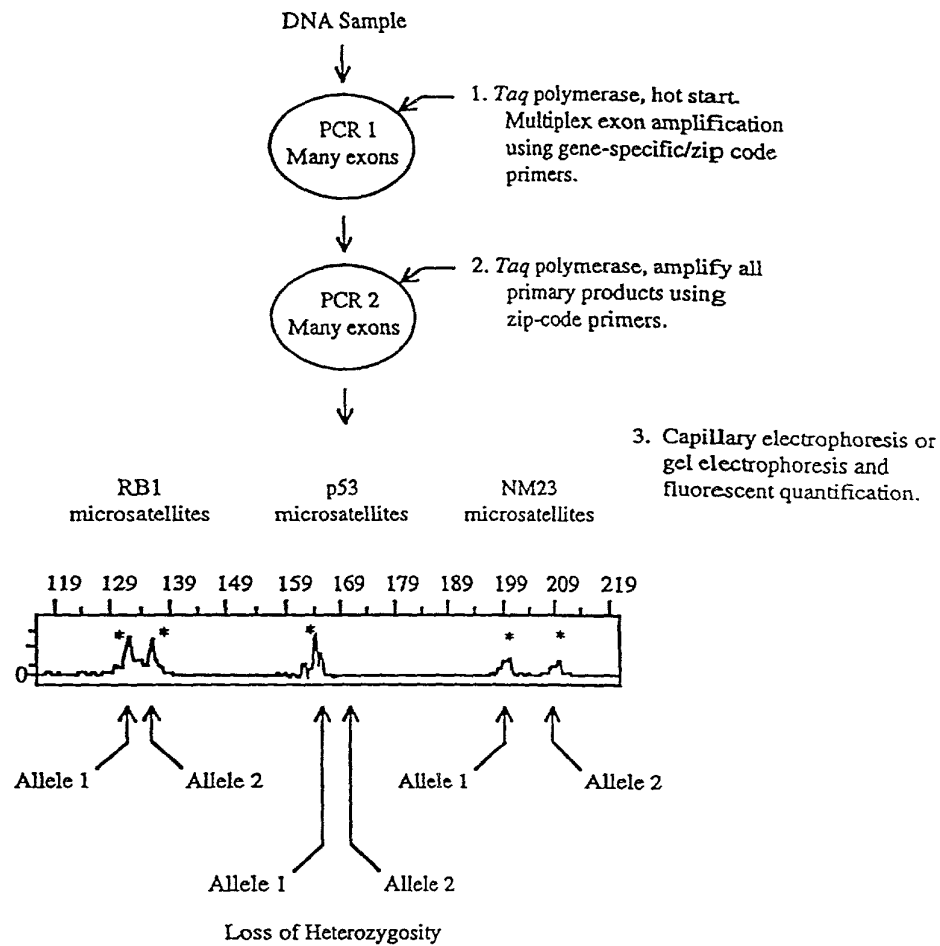


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PCR / PCR : Multiplex Microsatellite assays

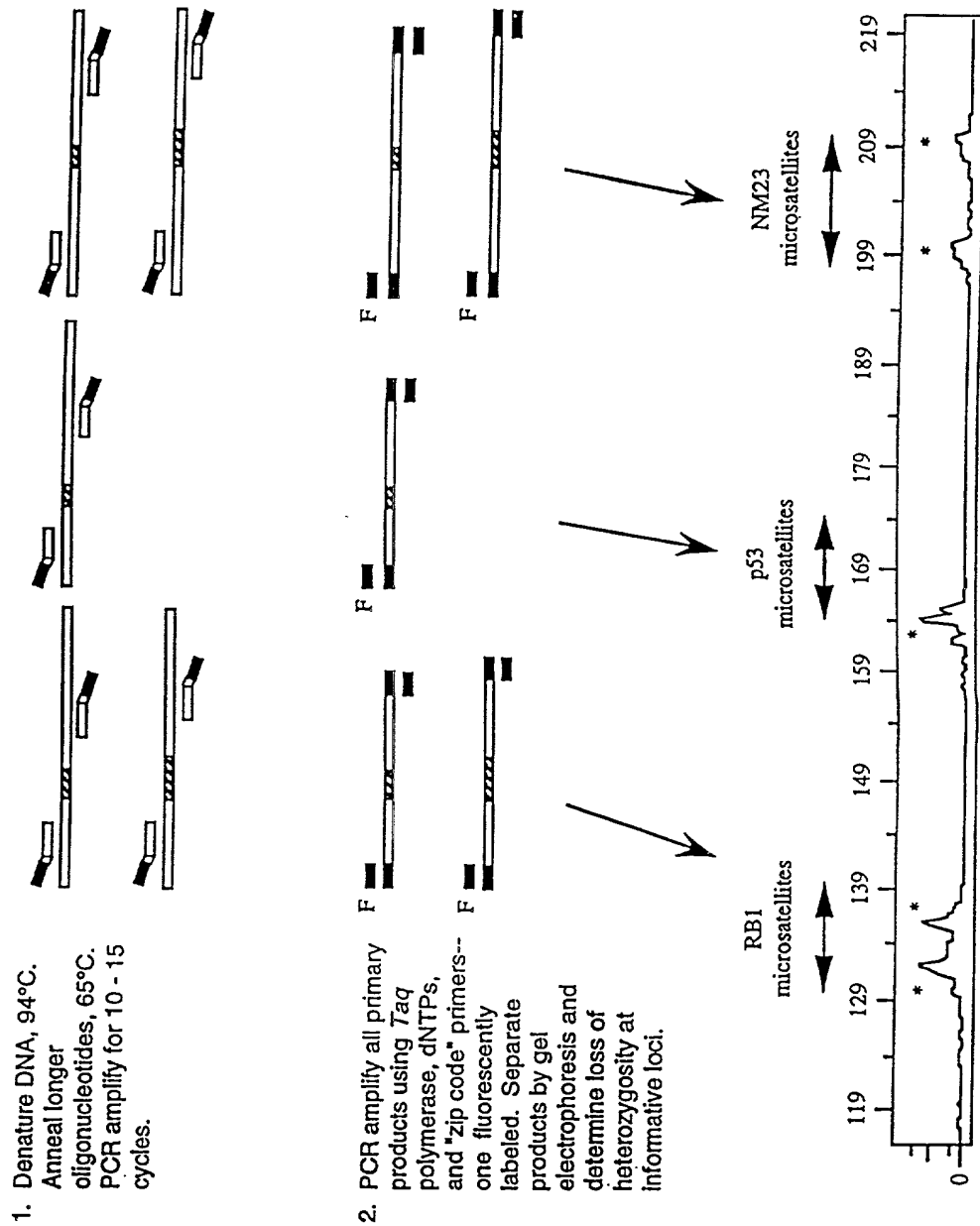


FIG. 23

Primer design for multiplex LDR / PCR

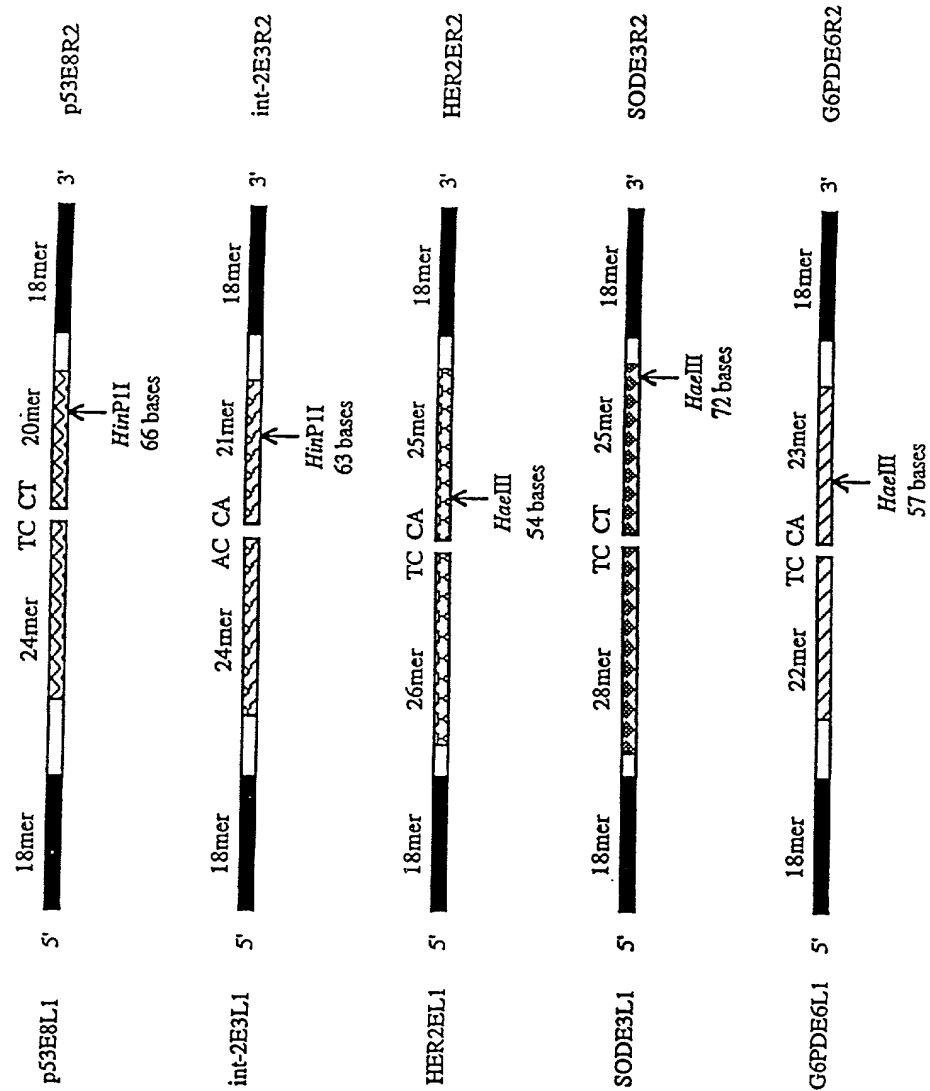


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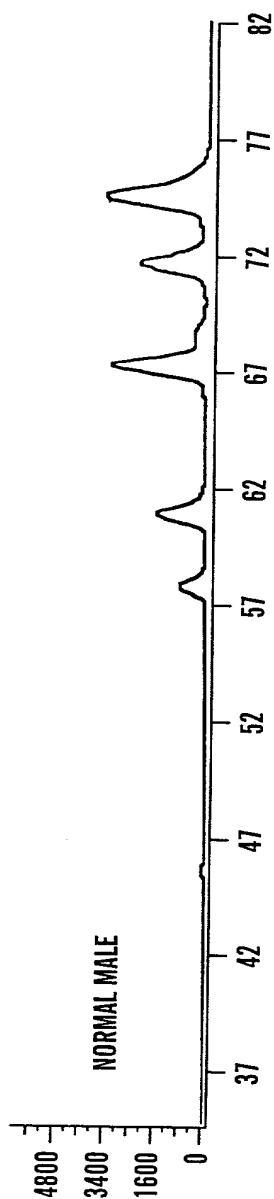


FIG. 25B

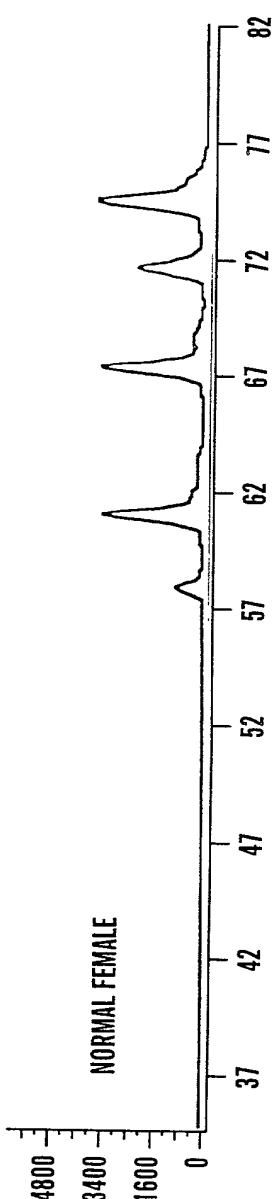


FIG. 25C

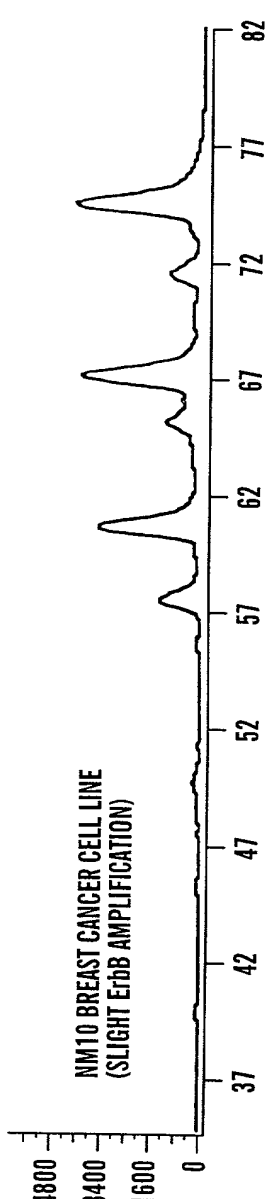


FIG. 25D

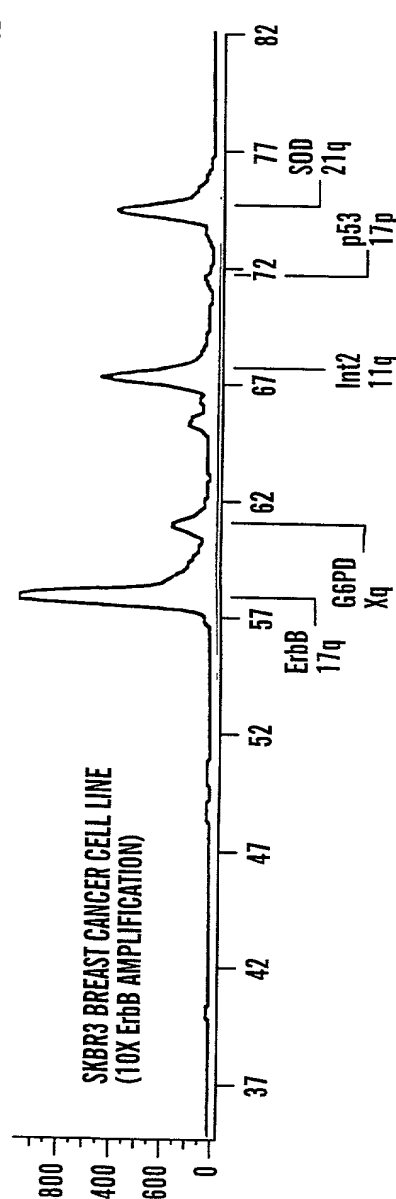


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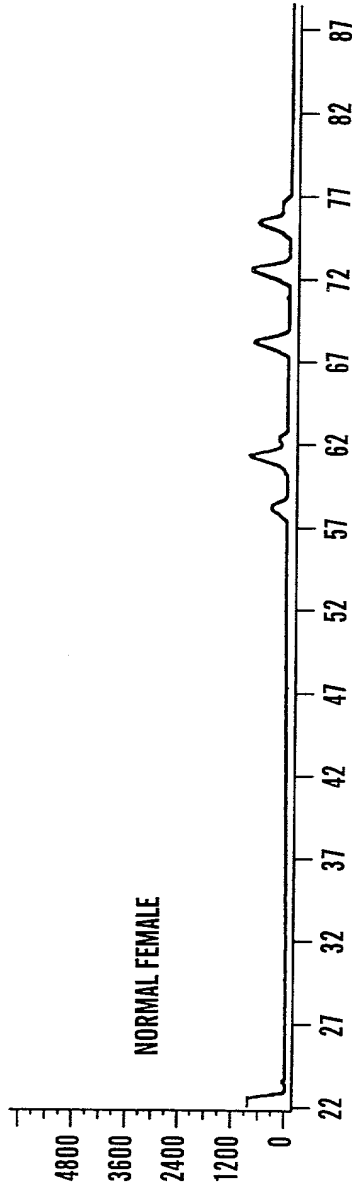


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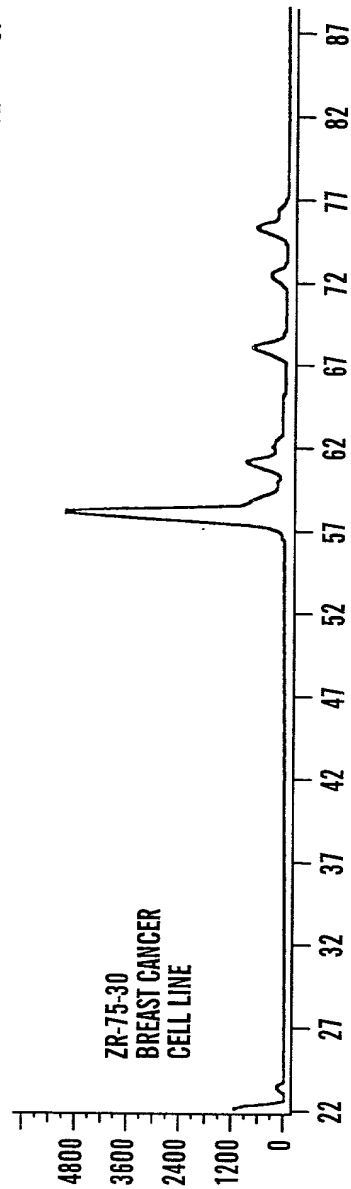


FIG. 26C

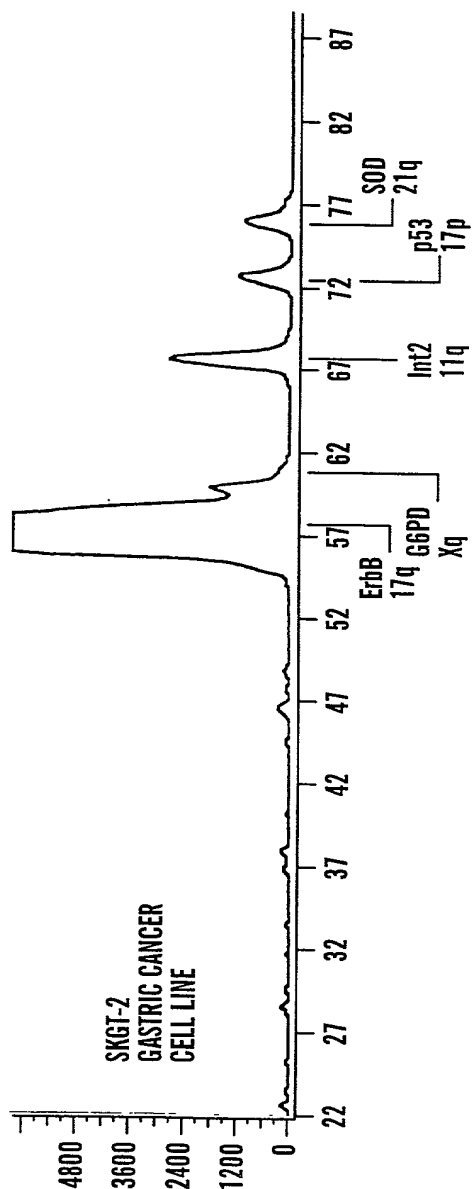


FIG. 27A

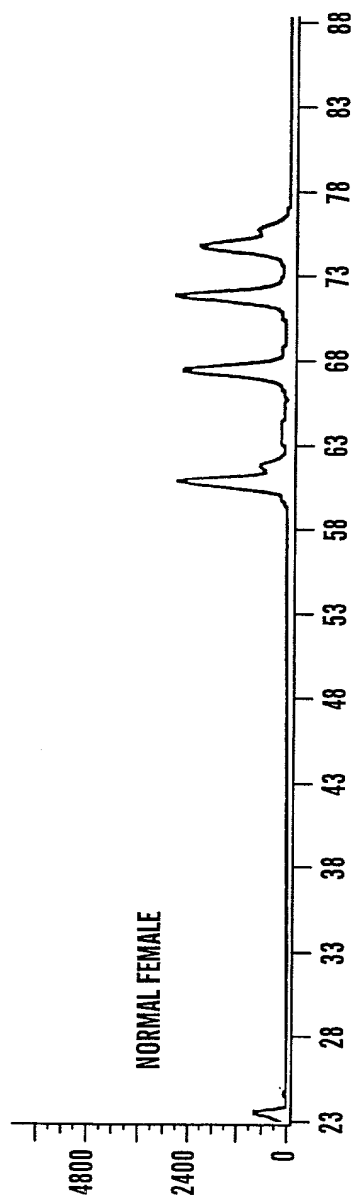


FIG. 27B

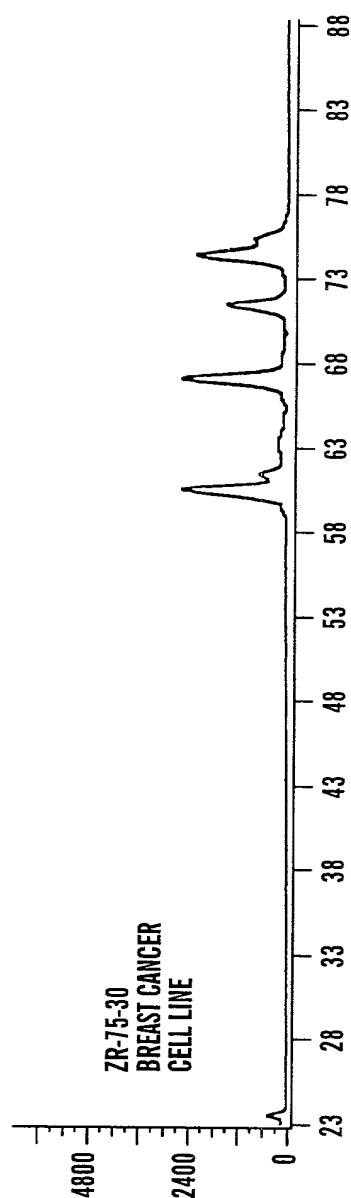
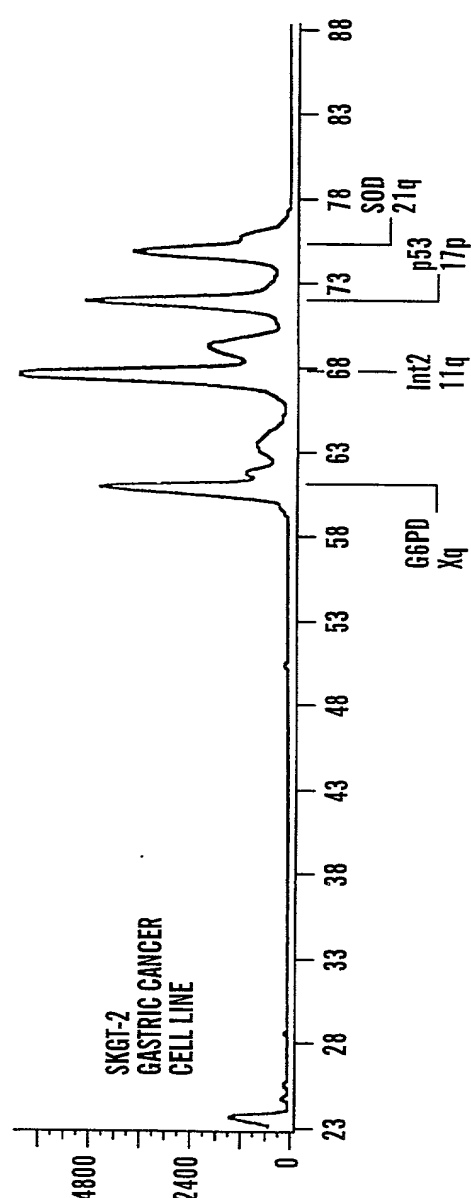


FIG. 27C



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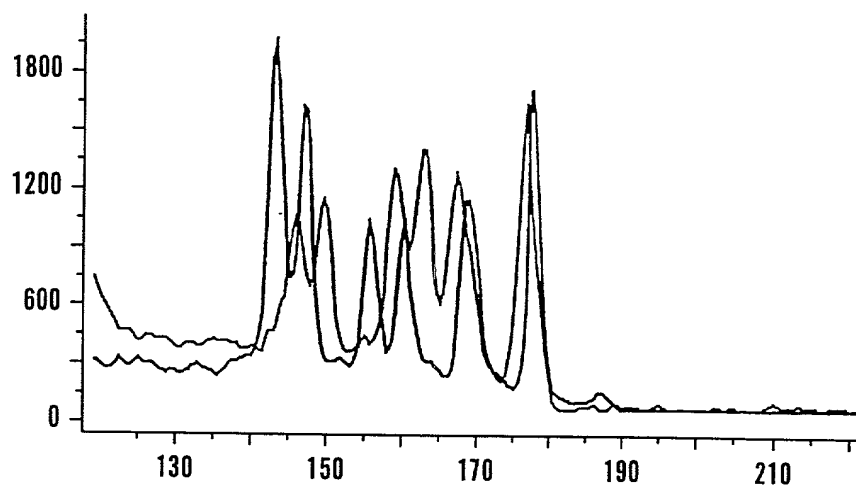


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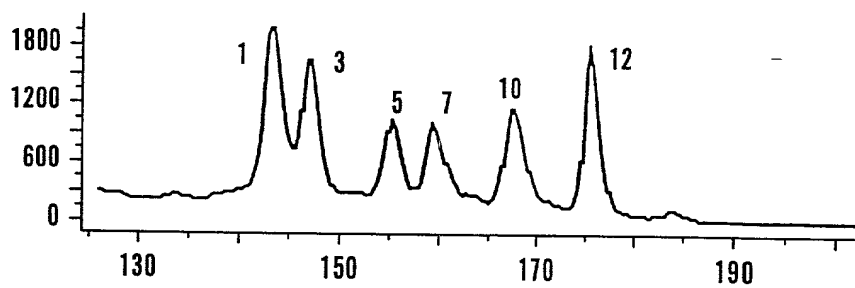


FIG. 28B

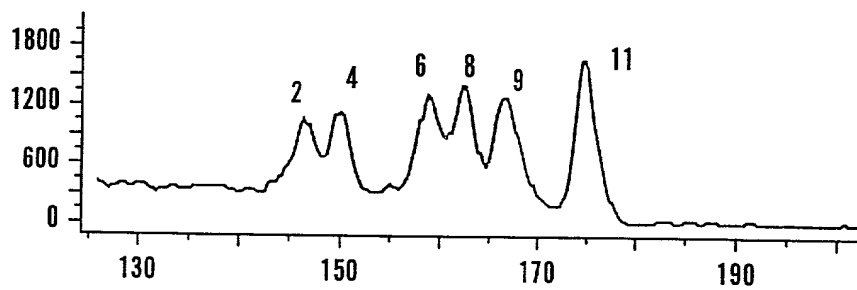


FIG. 28C

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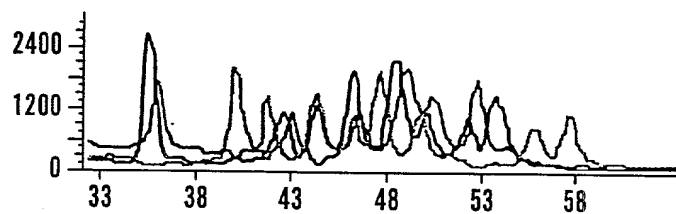


FIG. 29A

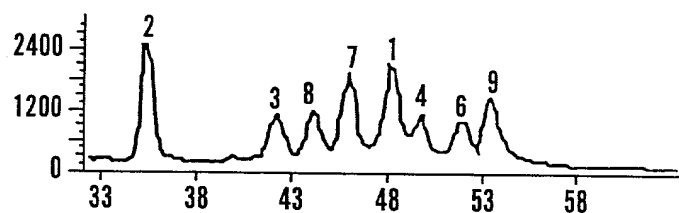


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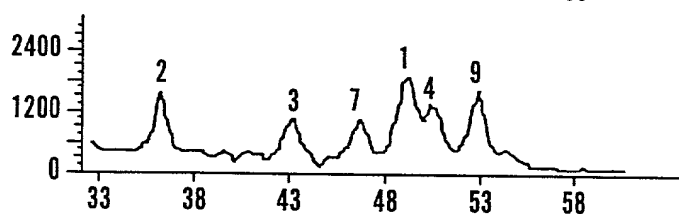


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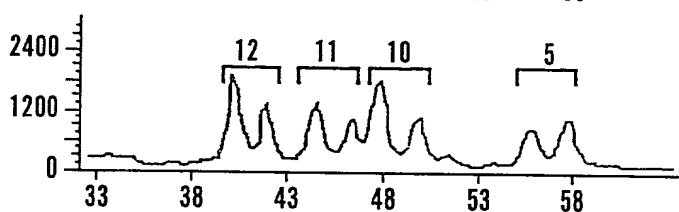


FIG. 29D

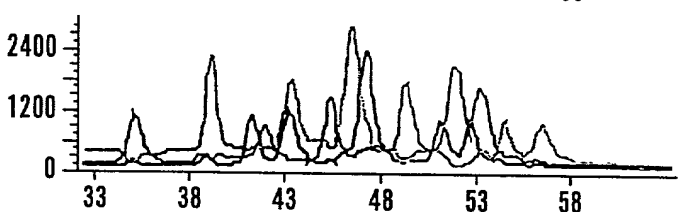


FIG. 29E

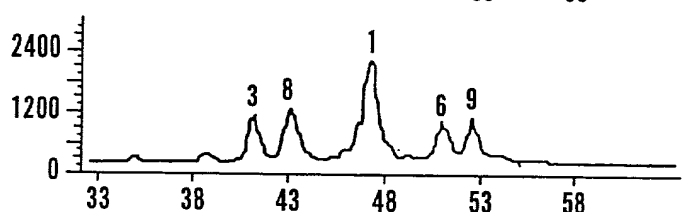


FIG. 29F

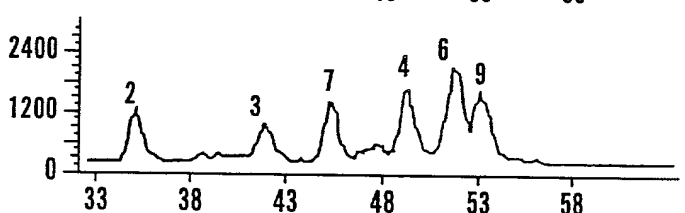


FIG. 29G

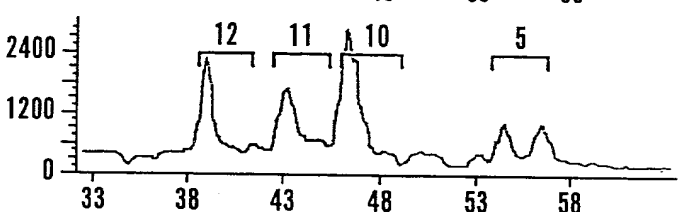


FIG. 29H